

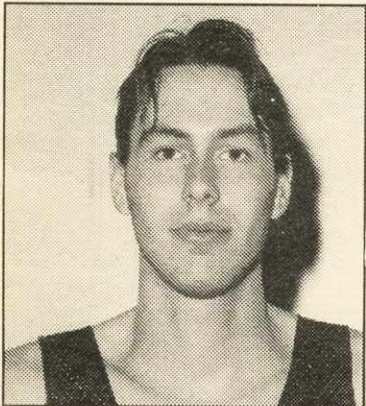
Tigers bounce back

by Brent Knightley

The Dalhousie Tigers men's basketball team returned to its winning ways on Saturday by handily defeating the St. Francis Xavier X-Men 80-61.

In the last of four AUAA games on Saturday at the Metro Centre, Dalhousie regained its composure and soundly beat the X-Men. The first half was all Dal needed as most starters sat in the second half to give some of the bench players a chance to see some action.

Dal Tiger Ted Dongelmans played well in the second half, re-



Ted Dongelman

placing Christian Currie, who was in foul trouble. Dongelmans' knee seemed to be at 100% and he is now working on his conditioning.

Shawn Plancke led Dal scorers with 20 points and was the Pepsi "player of the game." Jeff Mayo saw little action in the second half, but was Dal's second leading scorer with 13.

It was a very physical game. Plancke found himself being wrestled to the floor by a St. FX player in

the first half — this resulted in a technical foul for the X-Men.

Merrick Palmer of St. FX lost his composure a couple of times by yelling into the stands. Another X player, Brian Lee, had the difficult task of guarding Dal's Dwayne Hopkinson and appeared to get very frustrated. The more frustrated he got, the more aggressive he became.

Head coach Tim McGarrigle said he was nervous there might be a fight, so he had some of the starters sit. He was not willing to lose a player to a one-game suspension for fighting with the Tigers sporting such a big lead.

Reggie Oblitey saw limited action on Saturday as he is still trying to return from his foot injury. He played a few shifts throughout the game. Oblitey played well, but seemed to move around with a slight limp. McGarrigle is trying to gradually get Reggie back into the starting lineup, but Reggie's injury is a nagging one that will bother him all season.

Last Tuesday night in Acadia, Dal lost their first game of the season by a score of 90-74 to the Axemen. Their mind was not in the game and they made many mental mistakes.

Mayo led the Tigers with a game high 32 points and Christian Currie had 11. Top scorers for Acadia were Keith Johnson with 22 and Jerome Carter meshing 15.

Dalhousie is away this weekend to take on the Cape Breton Capers on Saturday and Sunday they are in Antigonish for a rematch with the X-Men. The Tigers next home game is Saturday, February 4 when Memorial will be at the Dalplex.

TIGER PROFILE

by Katharine Dunn

"I want to help people," John Yip says emphatically, looking me straight in the eye.

It is rare that these words are spoken in earnest, but there is such conviction in John's voice. It is obvious he means what he says. Yip is a fourth-year International Development Studies student who has already completed a B.Sc. in Biology. His involvement at Dalhousie has been diverse since he moved here, including being Vice-President of the Dalhousie Science Society (1993-94) and Vice-President Communications for the Dalhousie Student Union (1994-95). His goals are high and always have been, dating back to when he was growing up in Ontario.

As a first-generation Canadian, his parents struggled to become successful and achieve the proverbial "American Dream" that so many newcomers strive for. But it was not easy, and their hard work ethic was subsequently instilled in their children. Yip's goal in life has always been to become a doctor.

"At first, I wanted to be a doctor



the DSU and his studies, Yip has been a dedicated varsity swimmer for his four years at Dal. The varsity experience is one which cannot be replaced by any amount of involvement with academic-related activities because of the team, fitness and competitive aspects that make sports so appealing. This year, Yip shares co-captain honours with fifth-year teammate Sean Andrews. Yip says he and Andrews compliment each other when guiding the young men's team to success.

"Sean and I work well together.

He is very vocal and a cheerleader, and I handle more of the administrative and organisational stuff," said Yip. Although swimming is technically not a team sport, it is vital that the members are motivated so that they can encourage each other. As a team leader and role model, John believes that "when they succeed, I succeed."

Although he is not the star of the team, he is happy with his achievements as long as he gives it 100 percent every time he steps up on the blocks. With a person like John Yip, we would expect nothing less.

for the status and stability," he says. Through his volunteer work at the Victoria General Hospital (among other places), he has realised that helping is what matters. Yip credits his experiences at Dalhousie for changing the way he feels about his future.

"University is a place to grow physically, mentally and socially," he says. Had he stayed in Ontario and gone to University of Toronto, he probably would not have been involved in any extra-curricular activities.

"Dal is the perfect size, fairly big, yet small enough to get involved," comments Yip.

As well as his commitments with



Danielle Moe

Pucksters axed

by Jefferson Rappell

Blame it on global warming, blame it on earthquakes, blame it on Rio. Hell, even blame it on the rain.

Perhaps once all the blame has been doled out, we can get down to the problem at hand: how to get the hockey Tigers out of their mid-season slump.

The Tigers are coming off the worst week of what was shaping up to be a successful year. They were trounced by Acadia last Wednesday, and barely squeaked out a victory on their New Brunswick road trip.

The week of horror began with a trip to Acadia (funny, isn't that how they always start?). Dal was striving to regain top spot in the country from the Axemen, but instead once more ran headlong into the unstoppable Acadia juggernaut.

It seemed like Acadia had a lead even before the high school stage band finished their last note of "O Canada." In fact, Acadia notched two goals with the first two shots they fired. From then on, everything was uphill.

Sparring the gory details, Acadia won 8-3, and Dal endured yet another long bus ride back from Wolfville.

With the weekend came the promise that all would return to normal in the land of Dal hockey — sound victories over everyone but Acadia. Little did Dal fans — snuggled warmly in their beds — realize that their beloved Tigers were facing an upstart Mount Allison team on Saturday.

Despite their 2-15 record, the Mounties held a 1-0 lead into the third period before Dal limped back to score two goals and snatch victory from the gums of defeat.

Sunday brought UNB, fresh from a tie with the Axemen the night before. That alone could very well have been enough to spook the team as they lost their first game of the year to a team other than Acadia. The 3-2 finish added insult to injury in a week that many Tiger faithful wish never was.

With a bit of luck and a change of attitude the Tigers will hopefully regain their winning ways as they face St. FX in Antigonish on Thursday, and UCCBat Studley Arena on Sunday at 2 p.m.

If we lose either of these, we are in for a long season (or a long article about how the coaching at Dal really needs to be improved).

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(Frank)

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"X"ed

by Sam McCaig

On the women's side, the Tigers suffered their first defeat of the season to St. Francis Xavier on Saturday at the Metro Centre.

Dalhousie blew a 36-25 halftime lead to succumb at the final buzzer by a tally of 63-60.

Aggressive defence and some clutch three-pointers were key to St. FX's victory. They played the Tigers hard, especially bearing down on feisty Danielle Moe. To her credit, Moe responded with a gritty game.

The Tigers rebounded Tuesday night with a 78-73 victory over cross-town rivals the Saint Mary's Huskies. Carolyn Wares had 22 points and 14 rebounds at the Dalplex.

Despite the loss, the Tigers are still holding onto first place in the division, sporting an 9-1 record.

Upcoming games take the Tigers to Cape Breton on Saturday and a rematch with St. FX on Sunday.

Dalhousie Athletes of the Week

Cara McKenzie - Volleyball

Scott Bagnell - Volleyball

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